GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Social Welfare Department – Scheduled Castes Component - Social Security Pensions- New Scheme of Pension to Dappu Artists – Enhancement of target under the scheme from (6,600) to (30,000), providing of (1) pair uniform, (1) pair anklets (Gajjalu) and (1) Dappu instrument set to all the Dappu artists, eligible for the Dappu Artist Pension & enhancement of the pension amount payable from Rs.1,500/- to Rs.3,000/- per month- Orders- Issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE (CV.PCR) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 67 **Dated: 06-02-2019**
Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.199, S.W.(CV.PCR) Department, dated 30.06.2018.
2. G.O.Rt.No.329, S.W.(CV.PCR) Department, dated 12.10.2018.
3. Minutes of the Collectors Conference, held on 29th December, 2018 at Amaravati.
4. From the Director of Social Welfare, A.P., Tadepalli, Lr.Rc.No. G1/933/2018, dated 17.01.2019.
5. From the Secretary to CM, CMP No.11081/Secy (MGS)/2018, dated 12.01.2019.

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ORDER:

Government have allocated an amount of Rs.12.00 crores in B.E.2018-19 of the Social Welfare Department, under H.O.A 2225-01-102-11-17-310/312, for the new scheme of "Pension to Dappu Artists".

2. In the reference 1st read above, Government have issued orders sanctioning the new scheme of "Pension to Dappu Artists", as a social safety net and for protecting the traditional art form, along with the guidelines for operationalizing the said scheme, duly fixing the amount of pension at Rs.1,500/- per month & in the eligibility criteria stipulating the condition that the person eligible under the scheme shall be a Dappu artist, from Below the Poverty Line category & resident of A.P., belonging to the SC community, above (50) years of age & not drawing any other pension.

3. The Director of Social Welfare has accordingly taken action for inviting applications under the scheme through Mee-Seva Centres & for verification of applications received through the concerned Mandal Parishad Development Officers in the rural areas and the Municipal Commissioners in the urban areas.

4. In the Collectors Conference, held on 29th December, 2018 at Amaravati, the Hon'ble Chief Minister, has inter-alia, directed as follows:

(i) The number of Dappu artists to be given pension be increased from (6,600) to (30,000).

(ii) Along with the pension, (1) pair uniform, (1) pair anklets(Gajjalu) and (1) Dappu instrument set be provided to all the Dappu artists, who are eligible for the Dappu Artist Pension and budget for the same be provided from the Dappu Artists scheme.

5. Further, in the reference 5th read above, it has been informed that the Hon'ble Chief Minister has inter-alia, announced and directed to enhance the pension under the scheme of "Pension to Dappu Artists" from Rs.1,500/- to Rs.3,000/- per month.

6. In view of the circumstances stated supra & after careful examination, Government hereby issue the following orders:

(i) The number of Dappu artists to be given pension be increased from (6,600) to (30,000).

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(ii) Along with the pension, one-time assistance of (1) pair uniform,(1) pair anklets (Gajjalu) and (1) Dappu instrument set be provided to all the Dappu artists, who are eligible for the Dappu Artist Pension & budget for the same be provided from the Dappu Artists scheme.

(iii) The amount of pension, payable under the scheme of "Pension to Dappu Artists", be enhanced from Rs.1,500/- to Rs.3,000/- per month.

7. The Director of Social Welfare shall take necessary action, as per the above, & sanction the pension to the eligible Dappu artists as per the revised target and scale of payment, & communicate the list of pensioners to the Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, duly placing the necessary funds at his disposal.

8. The Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty shall draw & disburse the pensions to the Dappu artists, for the month of January 2019, payable in February 2019, as per the established process for disbursal of social security pensions & furnish the disbursal particulars along with Statement of Expenditure (SoE) to the Director of Social Welfare, every month.

9. The Director of Social Welfare shall also procure (1) pair uniform, (1) pair anklets (Gajjalu) and (1) Dappu instrument set of good quality, as per the prescribed procedure, and distribute the same to all the Dappu artists, who are eligible for the Dappu Artist Pension.

10. This orders issues with the concurrence of Finance (FMU.Welfare.I) Dept., vide their U.O.No.FIN01-FMU0BES(WEL1)/3/2019, dt.25-01-2019 (Computer No.785136)

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.S. RAWAT
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director of Social Welfare, AP, Tadepalli, Guntur District.
The Director, Department of Language and Culture, AP, Vijayawada.
The Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty.
All District Collectors in the State.

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The Principal Secretary, SERP.
All Deputy Directors of Social Welfare in the State.
(through the Director of Social Welfare)
All District Publicity Relations Officers in the State (through the Director of Culture)
All Project Directors of DRDA in the State (through the CEO, SERP)
The Finance (FMU-Welfare.I) Department.
The P.S. to Secretary to C.M.
The OSD to CS.
The P.S. to Minister (SWE & C).
The P.S. to Principal Secretary(SW).

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SECTION OFFICER